

COMMON COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
SEPTEMBER 7, 2010

Mayor Armstrong called a regular meeting of the City Common Council to order at approximately 6:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers.

I. Meeting Called to Order

- A. Opening Prayer was given by Al White from First Christian Church.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Armstrong.
- C. Roll Call was taken. Jesse Brand, Ann DeVore, George Dutro, James Lienhoop, Martha Myers, Joseph Richardson and Priscilla Scalf were present.
- D. Ann DeVore moved to approve the minutes from the City Council meeting of August 16, 2010. Priscilla Scalf seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

II. Unfinished Business Requiring Council Action

- A. Second Reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. _____, 2010, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 12, CHAPTER 12.08 THOROUGHFARE PLAN.” Steve Ruble, City Engineer, briefly recapped this Ordinance as well as Item B. and Item C. on this Agenda. He stated these items had been on the Agenda for July 6, 2010. After much discussion, the items were postponed until this meeting. This was done in order to allow more time for the public to respond. On August 9, 2010 a public open house was held from 8:00 o’clock A.M. until 7:00 o’clock P.M. to allow citizens to make recommendations. He indicated approximately 100 people attended. He said the Council asked that the items go back to the Plan Commission before being brought back to Council. The Plan Commission will hear these items on October 13, 2010. Steve asked that the Items A., B., and C., come back to the City Council on November 3, 2010 for second reading. Discussion followed. Clerk Treasurer Brenda Sullivan read Item B. and Item C. George Dutro made a **motion to postpone Item A., Item B. and Item C. until November 3, 2010.** Joseph Richardson seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- B. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. ____, 2010, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE UPDATED ‘COLUMBUS, INDIANA THOROUGHFARE PLAN’ AS AN ELEMENT OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.” Jeff Bergman - **Postponed until November 3, 2010.**

- C. Second Reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. _____, 2010, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE DESIGN STANDARDS OF THE COLUMBUS, INDIANA SUBDIVISION CONTROL ORDINANCE.” Jeff Bergman – **Postponed until November 3, 2010.**

III. New Business Requiring Council Action

- A. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. 20, 2010, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CLERK-TREASURER TO EXECUTE STATEMENT OF BENEFIT FORMS IN CONJUNCTION WITH AN APPLICATION FOR TAX ABATEMENT IN A PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE 6-1.1-12.1-7.” (Advanced Mold and Engineering, Inc.) Jim Clouse, with Community Development, along with Myron Moorman, representing Advanced Mold and Engineering, Inc., requested a tax abatement on personal property in conjunction with purchase and installation of new manufacturing equipment at its 7980 South International Drive facilities. They will be installing new manufacturing equipment with an estimated value of \$250,000 consisting of CNC milling machines and supporting equipment. Mr. Moorman gave a brief summary of the equipment to be purchased and spoke briefly about the company. Jim Lienhoop indicated the Incentive Review Committee met and found Advanced Mold and Engineering, Inc. to be in substantial compliance. Jim Lienhoop made a motion to approve the Resolution. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- B. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. 21, 2010, RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA ACCEPTING AND APPROVING A MONETARY PLEDGE AND DONATION FROM THE IRWIN SWEENEY MILLER FOUNDATION, INC. FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COMMONS MALL PROJECT” Tim Coriden, City Attorney, presented this Resolution on behalf of the Irwin Sweeney Miller Foundation, Inc. This Resolution states the Foundation is pledging the money for the Luckey Climber, a piece of playground equipment that will go in the Commons playground area. This Resolution asks the Council to accept and approve the pledge for \$349,350.000. Brief discussion followed. Ann DeVore made a motion to approve the Resolution. Joseph Richardson seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- C. First Reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. _____, 2010, AN ORDINANCE FIXING SALARIES AND WAGES OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2011.” Oakel Hardy, Budget Coordinator, presented this Ordinance. This Ordinance presented calls for a four percent (4%) raise and three (3) additional people, Mayor Armstrong spoke about the need for a raise. Each Council member spoke on the subject. Mayor asked for comments from the public. Approximately three (3) people spoke from the public. Discussion followed. Jim Lienhoop made a motion to amend the Ordinance to reflect a two percent (2%) raise instead of the four percent (4%) raise. There was no second. Motion died due to lack of a second. Ann DeVore made a motion to amend the Ordinance to reflect no raises for

employees. Ann DeVore also included in her motion the approval of the cost of the reorganization of Clerk Treasurer; addition of one (1) Technician for Information Services; One (1) additional police officer; one (1) additional Secretary for Sanitation; and the change in Police and Fire Pension payments and costs. Martha Myers seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken.

Jesse Brand – yes
Ann DeVore – yes
George Dutro – yes
James Lienhoop – no
Martha Myers – yes
Joseph Richardson – yes
Priscilla Scalf – no

Motion to Amend Salary Ordinance passed by a vote of 5 to 2.

Ann Devore moved to place the Amended Ordinance in proper channels. Martha Myers seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken.

Jesse Brand – yes
Ann DeVore – yes
George Dutro – yes
James Lienhoop – no
Martha Myers – yes
Joseph Richardson - yes
Priscilla Scalf – no

Motion to place Amended Salary Ordinance in proper channels passed by a vote of 5 to 2.

D. First Reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. _____, 2010, AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE SALARIES OF ELECTED OFFICIALS FOR THE YEAR 2011.” Oakel Hardy presented this Ordinance. The Ordinance before the Council calls for a four percent (4%) raise for elected officials. Brief discussion followed. Ann DeVore moved to amend this Ordinance to include no raises for elected officials for 2011. Martha Myers seconded the motion to amend. Roll Call vote was taken.

Jesse Brand - yes
Ann DeVore - yes
George Dutro - yes
James Lienhoop - no
Martha Myers - yes
Joseph Richardson - yes
Priscilla Scalf - no

Motion passed by a vote of 5 to 2. Ann DeVore moved to place the Amended Ordinance in proper channels. Roll Call vote was taken.

Jesse Brand – yes
Ann DeVore – yes
George Dutro – yes
James Lienhoop – no
Martha Myers – yes
Joseph Richardson – yes
Priscilla Scalf – no

Motion passed by a vote of 5 to 2.

E. First Reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO.15, 2010 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2010.”

Chief Gary Henderson explained that the newly purchased fire truck needed to be equipped so it could be placed in service. He had not budgeted in 2010 for the equipment. He asked Council to approve \$123,406.00 in an additional appropriation in order to equip the new fire truck. Brief discussion followed. George Dutro moved to suspend the rules and pass on first reading. Joseph Richardson seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0. George Dutro moved to approve the Ordinance. Martha Myers seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

III. Other Business

- A. Standing Committee and Liaison Reports.
- B. The next regular meeting is scheduled for September 21, 2010 at 6:00 o'clock P.M. in City Hall.
- C. Joseph Richardson moved to adjourn the meeting. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0. The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:50 o'clock P.M.

Presiding Officer

Attest:

Clerk-Treasurer of City of Columbus

